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(C) A/POLCOUNS delivered reftel points on May 12 to MFA Arab World Department Second Secretary Naif Al-Otaibi. Al-Otaibi stated GOK support for Lebanese PM Fouad Siniora's government and added that the GOK calls for an end to the fighting in Lebanon and condemns Hizbollah's resort to violence and continued Syrian interference. He also added that Kuwaiti FM, Shaykh Dr. Mohammed Al Sabah, returned on May 11 from his participation in a Cairo Arab League meeting, and would be issuing forthwith an official statement on the matter.

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